Patent Attorney's Docket No. <u>000500-299</u>

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In re Patent Application of)	RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER
Ulrika HAGRUD) Group Art Unit: 3761	FEB 1 7 2004
Application No.: 09/856,904) Examiner: C. L. Anderson	OFFICIA
Filed: August 29, 2001) Confirmation No.: 5309	OFFICIA
For: ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING A MATERIAL LAMINATE THAT COMPRISES A LIQUID PERMEABLE TOP SHEET AND A LIQUID PERMEABLE LIQUID TRANSFER SHEET)))))	

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 Sir:

I hereby certify that this correspondence, consisting of an Amendment/Reply Transmittal Letter and Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.115, are being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (Fax. No. (703) 305-3590) on February 17, 2004, in connection with the above-identified application.

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Ulrika HAGRUD) Reply Under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 - Expedited) Procedure - Technology Center 3700		
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En	closed is a reply for the above-identified pate	nt application.		
[]] A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.			
[]	A Terminal Disclaimer and the [] \$55.00 (2814) [] \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.			
[]	Also enclosed is/are			
[]] Small entity status is hereby claimed.			
[]	[] Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] \$385.00 (2801) [] \$770.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).			
[] Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.				
	[] Applicant(s) previously submitted requested.	, on, for which continued examination is		
		ing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 7 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.		

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[]	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R.	§ 1.129(a)
	(1809/2809) is also enclosed.	

- [X] No additional claim fee is required.
- [] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

		AMENDED	CLAIMS		
	No. OF CLAIMS	Highest No. Of Claims Previously Paid for	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADD'L FEE
Total Claims	14	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (1202) =	0.00
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$86.00 (1201) =	0.00
If Amendment adds m	altiple depende	nt claims, add \$290	.00 (1203)		
Total Claim Amendment Fee			0.00		
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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated November 14, 2003, having a three-month shortened statutory response period in which this Amendment is being timely filed, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the claim summary which begins on page two of this paper.

Remarks begin on page six of this paper.